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1. SUMMARY: APRIL 6 TURKISH PRESS WIDELY REPORTS THAT CYPRUS PROPOSALS ARE READY FOR PRESENTATION TO UNSYG WALDHEIM IN NEW YORK, PROBABLY NEXT WEEK. STORIES UNIFORMLY NOTE THAT PROPOSALS CONSIST OF THREE PARTS: TERRITORY, CONSTITUTION, UNCLASSIFIED

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AND VAROSHA. SEVERAL PAPERS EXPRESS EXPECTATION THAT UNSYG WALDHEIM WILL CALL FOR THE INITIATION OF A NEW ROUND OF INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS AFTER RECEIVING THE PROPOSALS. END SUMMARY

2. APRIL 6 NEWSPAPERS PROMINENTLY REPORT THAT TURKISH SIDE'S CYPRUS PROPOSALAS ARE READY. CONSTITUTIONAL LAW EXPERT, PROFESSOR MUMTAZ SOYSAL, IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT HIS TRIP

TO CYPRUS (REPORTED REFTTEL) WAS NEEDED TO ADD "FINISHING TOUCHES" TO PROPOSAL PACKAGE. ACCORDING TO THE PRESS, THE PROPOSALS WILL BE TAKEN TO NEW YORK WITHIN A WEEK TO TEN DAYS AND PRESENTED TO UNSYG WALDHEIM BY FORMER SUPREME COURT JUSTICE NECATI MUNIR ERTEGUN, PROFESSOR SOYSAL, AND TFSC REPRESENTATIVE IN NEW YORK, NAIL ATALAY. IT IS VARIOUSLY REPORTED ALSO THAT WALDHEIM WILL BE GIVEN THE FULL 30 TO 40-PAGE DOCUMENT CONTAINING THE PROPOSALS, OR ONLY AN OUTLINE, OR A REPORT.

3. ALL PRESS ACCOUNTS INDICATE THAT THE PROPOSALS WILL BE PRESENTED IN A THREE-PART PACKAGE COMPOSED OF TERRITORIAL ISSUES, CONSTITUTIONAL ELEMENTS, AND VAROSHA. SPECULATION ABOUT THE ELEMENTS OF THE PROPOSALS COVERS A WIDE SPECTRUM OF POSSIBILITIES, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING:

A. ON TERRITORY:

--THERE WILL BE NO "BORDER" BUT A "DIVIDING LINE" (HURRIYET).

--NICOSIA AIRPORT WILL BE REOPENED AND USED JOINTLY (HURRIYET).

--SOME TERRITORY WILL BE RELINQUISHED TO THE GREEK CYPRIOTS; EIGHT TO TEN PER CENT ACCORDING TO HURRIYET, THREE UNCLASSIFIED

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AND A HALF TO FOUR PER CENT ACCORDING TO CUMHURIYET, AND TEN PER CENT ACCORDING TO AYDINLIK.

--A "SECURITY ZONE" WILL BE ESTABLISHED ALONG THE NORTHERN COAST RUNNING FROM THE NORTHERN TIP OF MORPHOU BAY TO THE END OF THE KARPAS PENINSULA (CUMHURIYET).

--MORPHOU AND FAMAGUSTA WILL REMAIN IN THE TURKISH CYPRIOT ZONE, BUT THERE WILL BE A FREE AREA IN FAMAGUSTA AND ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE FOR GREEK CYPRIOTS TO BENEFIT FROM THE PORT (TERCUMAN).

B. ON THE CONSTITUTION:

--CYPRUS WILL BE AN INDEPENDENT, NON-ALIGNED, BI-ZONAL STATE (HURRIYET).

--FREEDOM OF MOVEMENT WILL BE GUARANTEED BUT IMPLEMENTED OVER AN AGREED PERIOD OF TIME. (HURRIYET AND TERCUMAN).

--FREEDOM OF SETTLEMENT WILL BE PERMITTED, BUT NOT

INITIALLY AND ONLY AFTER CERTAIN PRINCIPLES ARE AGREED
(TERCUMAN).

--THERE WILL BE A FEDERAL ASSEMBLY AND TWO LOCAL
ASSEMBLIES (HURRIYET).

5. COMMENT: THERE HAS NOT YET BEEN TIME FOR EDITORIAL
COMMENT ON THESE REPORTS OR REACTION BY POLITICAL LEADERS,
INCLUDING OPPOSITION PARTY CHAIRMEN. WHILE THE REPORTS ON
THE PROPOSALS MUST BE REGARDED AS SPECULATIVE, CERTAIN
AREAS OF UNANIMITY IN ALL OF THEM SUGGEST THAT THE PRESS MAY
HAVE RECEIVED SOME BACKGROUND ON AT LEAST THE BROAD OUTLINE
OF THE PROPOSALS. IT APPEARS THAT THE GOT AND TURKISH
CYPRIOTS CAN BE EXPECTED TO GIVE SPECIAL STRESS TO THE
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(UNDOUBTEDLY DRAFTED BY PROFESSOR SOYSAL).
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